

FLAYS OIL COMPANY

Attorney General Hadley Resumes Taking Testimony.

ROCKEFELLER GETS DIVIDENDS

C. L. Nichols Says He Only Gets \$1,500 as President of the Republic. Newspaper Publicity Has Caused Some Retirements—Is Willing to Withdraw from Missouri.

New York, Dec. 19.—That his salary as president of the Republic Oil Company is \$1,500, and that he was accustomed to turn over to William C. Rockefeller the money he drew, as dividends in stock held by him in that corporation, were among the admissions made to-day by C. L. Nichols to Attorney General Hadley, of Missouri, when the latter resumed taking of testimony before Commissioner Anthony.

The witness also testified that as a result of the throwing of the searchlight of newspaper publicity on oil affairs, the Republic had already discontinued business in Illinois and Iowa, and was preparing to quit in Missouri.

Further questioning led Nichols to admit that when he became head of the Republic his former salary as a subordinate in the Standard was \$1,000, and that he was then given his \$1,500 in the Republic, his promotion to the presidency of the latter corporation thus increasing his compensation only \$500.

Mr. Hadley failed to connect, through the witness, the Waters-Pierce Company with the Standard Oil Company. Before Mr. Nichols left the stand Frank N. Hagerman, counsel for the oil interests, said to Mr. Hadley:

"We are willing to withdraw from Missouri if you will let us place our affidavit of retirement with the Secretary of State."

Mr. Hadley replied: "I am not going to do that because there are some matters which the Republic Oil Company will have to explain first."

More Witnesses Summoned.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 19.—United States Marshal Alcott to-day served summonses on several officers of subsidiary companies of the Standard Oil Company as witnesses in the suit brought by the government against the Standard Oil, and which will come to trial in St. Louis January 1. The officers summoned are: A. G. Irving, of Plainfield, treasurer of the Standard Oil Company; John Bushnell, of Plainfield, secretary of the National Fuel Company; Charles G. Black, of Bayonne, agent Colonial Oil Company; and Union Tank Line Company; F. W. Edwards, of Bayonne, agent Platt-Vashburn Refining Company; the Bayonne Tidewater Pipe Company, and the Bayonne Tidewater Oil Company.

MANY AT BISCHOFF CONCERT.

Cycle Maintains Its Reputation for Excellence.

Many people prominent in social and official life and lovers of music attended the first of the twenty-sixth season of the Bischoff concert given at the First Congregational Church last night. The Bischoff cycle has established for itself a name for excellence of selection of programme numbers as well as excellence of rendition, and last night's opening concert proved no exception to the rule.

The first number was the duet for soprano and baritone, "O That We Were Maying," was presented by Mrs. Clifton Andrews and Dr. B. Merrill Hopkinson, voices well balanced and blending exquisitely. Robert Snook followed with three tenor solos, "Longing," by Rogers; "O Weine Nicht," and Bischoff's "The Summer Wind." The Bischoff creation was greeted with loud applause, the singer's technique, especially in the latter, interpreted the master to perfection. Miss Nellie A. Sellman sang Schubert's "Die Allmacht." Miss Sellman's voice, though sweet and pure, seemed scarcely of sufficient volume to do justice to this one of Schubert's chief discoveries. Mrs. Henry Franklin presented Schumann's "Papillon"—opus No. 2. Her piano solo, Mrs. Franklin's technique is excellent, her intonation in this particular number, however, at times seeming incorrect. Mrs. Andrews followed with Schubert's song for soprano, "Der Erl Koenig." She interpreted this beautiful poem with true artistic understanding. Dr. Hopkinson's three songs for baritone, "Shepherd," "See Thy Horse," old English "Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes," Jensen's "All Heidelberg," earned him much applause, as he sang them in fine style.

Oswald's quartet for mixed voices, "Sir Marmaduke," was most creditably presented by the four artists. The second part of the programme, Lehmann's "In a Persian Garden," the words of which are selected from the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam, a veritable gem of vocalism, was decidedly the feature of the programme, receiving the rapt attention of the audience throughout. While the song part is comparatively short, it contains almost every sentiment of song expression, from the rollicking to the tragic, the lighter vein as well as the sadder strains. This part was rendered in a most attractive manner, tenor, contralto, soprano, and bass each contributing its share in faultless manner. Mrs. Henry Franklin was the pianist and accompanist.

Repair Shops Burned.

Special to The Washington Herald. Cumberland, Md., Dec. 19.—The boat repair shop of the Canal Towage and Transportation Company was ruined by fire this afternoon. The building was a new two-story frame, recently built to replace a similar structure which had been burned. Much of the new machinery was damaged.

Contractor Fatally Stabbed.

Special to The Washington Herald. Salisbury, N. C., Dec. 19.—Harvey Burke, contractor, is in a Salisbury sanatorium near death as a result of stabs from Leander Burton, a student in the Spencer graded school. Burton's younger brother had committed some depredation and was slapped by Burke, whereupon the elder boy interfered and drove his knife into Burke's breast.

Coroner Denies Secret Inquest.

Special to The Washington Herald. Richmond, Va., Dec. 19.—County Coroner Deas, who conducted the inquiry into the death of Joseph S. Montgomery, the prizefighter who came to this country on last week, in a field near the city, is out with a flat denial of the report that a secret examination of witnesses was a feature of the inquest.

Funeral of William Anderson Held.

Landover, Md., Dec. 19.—The funeral services over the remains of William Anderson, who was killed at the railway crossing at Ardwick, Prince George County, Saturday afternoon last, took place this afternoon from Whitfield Methodist Church near here and were largely attended.

Coal Gas Proves Fatal.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—One man was asphyxiated, three are critically ill, and more than twenty are suffering less seriously from coal gas, which escaped from a defective heater in a South Side boarding house early to-day.

FOUR RUNAWAYS CAUGHT.

Boys Who Start to See World Stopped at Baltimore.

Bent on the idea of going forth and seeing the world, Robert and George Branson, aged thirteen, of 214 Seventh street northeast, and Walter Peters, aged thirteen, of 419 Ninth street northeast, left their homes on Tuesday and started on their journey.

HENGELMULLER A BARON.

Emperor Confers Hereditary Title on Austrian Ambassador.

Emperor Francis Joseph has conferred on Dr. Ladislaus von Hengelmüller, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador to the United States, the dignity of baron in recognition of his diplomatic services.

The title of baron has been generally granted to the present Ambassador through courtesy and in acknowledgment of the numerous distinctions he has received from the hands of the Emperor, but his recent honor is one that carries with it hereditary dignity.

The friends of Baron von Hengelmüller in this city have been for some time anticipating that such action would be taken by the Emperor, and last night he was the recipient of many congratulations.

WAIL OF WOE WINS THE COIN

Senator Dick Gives Up His Last Dollar.

Two Bold Tale Builders Panhandle Congressmen and Senators and Are Arrested Redhanded.

Two expert tale builders made the rounds of the Capitol yesterday in what to the innocent outsider would seem to be a profitable manner. They extracted two \$5 bills from two well-known Congressmen, and succeeded in getting Senator Dick's last dollar.

They gave their names after their arrest as C. B. Walker, printer, residence Milwaukee, and H. B. Irwin, tailor, residence Licking County, Ohio. Walker has tramped all over the country as printer and police reporter.

The two trotted up to the big white law factory yesterday, and took in the sights with the concourse of visitors there from all parts of the country. In some way they excited the suspicion of Capt. Weber, of the Capitol police, and he kept his eye on them.

The first man they tackled was Representative Esch, of Wisconsin. Irwin told him how he had been without work, money, food, or a lodging place for over a week. The tale of hard luck drew on the Congressman's sympathy, and he gave the fellow \$5. Capt. Weber stood near by and heard the whole conversation.

A few minutes later Walker called out Representative J. Adam Bede, the Duluth member. Walker showed Mr. Bede a union printer's card, which was a good deal out of date. He said that if he had money enough to pay his dues he could get work. Mr. Bede proved an easy victim, and furnished another \$5 bill to the gaudy tale that was under headway. This time Capt. Weber saw.

The two here took a recess and went down to Pennsylvania avenue and found their way into the nearest saloon. There they lay, one after another, each three or four dollars, and the other, who was standing near by, described as "simply mighty."

Charged, if not inebriated, the two went back to work again. The first man they tackled was Senator La Follette, whom they saw after going to Senator Foraker's room to find he was not there. The same old story was poured out on Mr. Dick.

"Well, see here," said the Ohio Senator, holding out one lone silver dollar in the palm of his hand. "That is all the money I have in my clothes. You wouldn't take a man's last dollar, would you?"

"Senator, I would not under ordinary circumstances, but—"

"Oh, well," said the Senator, impatiently. "If you want to take a man's last dollar, why take it," and he gave the man the money.

At this point Capt. Weber, who once more was near by, arrested both Walker and Irwin.

Robert Reid Killed.

Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 19.—Relatives here received telegrams to-day telling of the tragic death of Robert Reid, formerly of Hagerstown, who lost his life while in the performance of his duty as superintendent of the Barton lumber plant, at Charleston, S. C. Mr. Reid formerly taught school in Hagerstown. He was a brother of Mrs. George H. Lemen, of Hagerstown.

Mayor of Clifton Forge Is Dead.

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 19.—Mayor Joseph W. Lipow, of Clifton Forge, eldest son of Mrs. S. E. Lipow, of this city, died at 6 o'clock this morning at the home of his father-in-law, Dr. Hughes, in Clifton Forge. The immediate cause of his death was blood poisoning, resulting from an ulcerated tooth.

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Resumes Traction Service.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 19.—The traction company situation took a new turn to-day, when Mayor Buxton explained the terms of an agreement he has reached with the Hampton Roads Traction Company. At his request the company resumed service to-day on a portion of its line in the city.

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AGED WOMAN SLAIN

Cumberland Man Is Held for Mother-in-Law's Death.

SKULL CRUSHED WITH HAMMER

Accused Says That He Knew All the Time That He Was Suspected of Having Committed the Crime. Victim Was Seventy-six Years Old. Reward of \$1,000 Offered.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 19.—John H. Miller, of Shandale, a town near Meyersdale, is under arrest charged with the murder of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Catherine Stauffer, aged seventy-six years, Miller, after the tragic death of the aged woman, had himself appointed administrator of her estate.

The charge against Miller is based on his alleged desire to hasten a partition of the Stauffer estate, to which he gave repeated expression, and a strong bit of evidence is the recent find of a chloroform bottle in his house.

A granddaughter, sixteen years of age, and a grandson, twelve years of age, who lived in the house with Mrs. Stauffer, escaped being murdered at the same time by fleeing down the front stairway while the slayer was coming up the backway with a bludgeon.

The aged woman's skull was crushed with a blacksmith's hammer after she had been rendered helpless with chloroform.

A reward of \$1,000 had been offered for the murderer. Miller says that he knew all the time he was suspected.

PARDONS FIVE CONVICTS.

Gov. Warfield Pays Visit to Maryland Penitentiary.

Special to The Washington Herald. Annapolis, Md., Dec. 19.—Gov. Warfield this morning distributed a number of Christmas presents in the shape of pardons to prisoners who, it is thought, will lead better lives.

Five pardons in all were signed. They were: John Steine, convicted of manslaughter in November, 1903, and sentenced to five years; Ross B. Miller, convicted of larceny in May, 1905, and sentenced to two years; William E. Granger, convicted in Baltimore City last July, and sentenced to three years' imprisonment, for being a vagrant; Isaac Keenan, colored, found guilty of murder, and who was to have been hanged for his crime on February 27, 1899, but whose sentence was commuted to life imprisonment, and Thomas Smith, convicted of a long term for felonious assault, committed in Carroll County in 1899.

Gov. Warfield yesterday afternoon visited the penitentiary and personally interviewed eight prisoners who had been recommended to him for pardon, including those ordered released to-day.

ANNAPOOLIS GIRLS USE FOILS.

Younger Society Set Takes Daily Practice at Fencing.

Special to The Washington Herald. Annapolis, Md., Dec. 19.—A number of the young ladies of the society set of the Naval Academy and Annapolis have taken up the art of fencing again this season, and are now holding daily practice under the instruction of Prof. A. J. Corbier, the swordmaster at the Academy, who instructs those who have taken to fencing this season are Miss Frances Terry, daughter of Prof. Nathaniel M. Terry, of the Naval Academy; Miss Mary Randall, of Annapolis, daughter of Medical Inspector Howard E. Ames, U. S. N.

Miss Clayton Weds a Lieutenant.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 19.—Miss Katherine Coleman Clayton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Clayton, of Annapolis, was married here at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon to Second Lieut. Benjamin Brown Gossett, U. S. M. C. The wedding took place in the parlor of the residence of the bride's parents on Gloucester street, Rev. George W. Miller, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Annapolis, officiating at the ceremony.

Charles A. Manning Killed.

Landover, Md., Dec. 19.—By the breaking of a ladder Charles A. Manning, who was at work on the building being erected near this place for Mrs. Swartz, was thrown to the ground, falling a distance of twenty-five feet, and was fatally injured. Manning died in about an hour. He is survived by his wife, who was Miss Mollie Lynch, of Hagerstown, and a son, William Manning.

Judge William A. Shipley Ill.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 19.—Judge William A. Shipley, of the Orphans' Court of Anne Arundel County, is reported ill at his home, in the Fifth district of the county, and it is understood that he is suffering with Bright's disease. Judge Shipley was recently appointed by Gov. Warfield to fill the unexpired term of the late Judge James Jeffries.

Dr. J. H. Wolfe Dies Suddenly.

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 19.—Dr. J. H. Wolfe, one of the most prominent physicians in Rockingham County, died suddenly at his home in Elkton, eighteen miles east of Harrisburg, late last night. Death was due to heart failure. Dr. Wolfe was about sixty years of age and was a native of Shenandoah City, Page County. He is survived by a wife and five children.

Wedding at Rockville.

Rockville, Md., Dec. 19.—Mr. William Henry Tyler Case, of this vicinity, and Miss Ladulcia Mullican, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mullican, of Garrett Park, this county, were married at this place to-day by Rev. T. H. Campbell, at the latter's home.

David Fries Passes Away.

Winchester, Va., Dec. 19.—David Fries, a well-known resident of the county, died at his home near Winchester, last night of a lingering illness, aged sixty years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Julia Fries.

Hold Alleged Highwaymen in Jail.

Aberdeen, Md., Dec. 19.—John Ringold and Robert Tilden, colored, were arrested for assaulting and robbing Martin D. Willis, of Perryman, on Saturday night. One of the men has made a confession. Both are in jail at Belair.

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AUTHORITIES ARE AROUSED.

Objectionable Postal Cards Cause Trouble in Richmond.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 19.—The Richmond post-office authorities have been expending much trouble recently with objectionable postal cards found in the mails. These cards have been directed in great numbers to factories where girls are employed, and it is principally from the heads of these establishments that complaints have been made. In an effort to suppress the nuisance the United States authorities some time ago ordered post-office clerks to throw out all cards of questionable nature that passed through their hands. An order has been issued, through the chief of police, to arrest every person selling or offering for sale cards of any objectionable nature. Still, an individual has not been abated through the prosecution of dealers, the authorities of the city, State, and United States will concur in bringing to justice the individuals who mail such postals.

Elopers Wed in Washington

Special to The Washington Herald. Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 19.—An elopement that created considerable interest in the social circles of this city was that yesterday of William S. Humbert, assistant postmaster of Charlottesville, and Miss Mary Neeson Michie, of Port Thomas, Ky. They were married in Washington.

The bride is a daughter of Hon. Thomas L. Michie, a prominent attorney of New York, and a former member of the Virginia legislature, having represented Albemarle in that body soon after his graduation from the University of Virginia Law School. Mr. Michie went West some twenty years ago. His wife is a daughter of the late John Neeson, of Richmond, Va. The groom is one of the most popular young men of Albemarle.

CAPT. PERSHING UNDER FIRE

Alleged Charges Reported to Be On File in War Department.

A report was published in Chicago yesterday that the nomination of Capt. John J. Pershing to be a brigadier general had been held up by the Military Committee of the Senate because of charges against his good name and character.

Senator Warren, of Wyoming, who is the father-in-law of Gen. Pershing, is chairman of the Military Committee. Neither he nor other members of the committee would acknowledge that charges had been made as stated. The best proof to the contrary, it was pointed out, was the fact that the nomination of Gen. Pershing was confirmed December 10.

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The account published states that letters had been sent to the War Department and were on file there charging that Gen. Pershing, several years ago, while stationed in the Philippines, had conducted himself in a manner that is not approved in a more easterly longitude. Little is known in Washington outside of official channels of the facts in the case. Among army officers, however, it is said, the scandal has been long known, and in obedience to standards of correct conduct in army life those who have known Mr. Pershing have kept silent in order that the truth might not imperil the confirmation of Gen. Pershing. The circumstances referred to constitute, it is said, the basis of the talk now current in the army regarding Gen. Pershing. There is a feeling that his preference would not have occurred had the President been fully advised of the whole matter.

FIND SLEEPING MAN ON FIRE.

Officers Save George Curtis from Being Cremated Alive.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 19.—George Curtis, a laborer employed on the pipe lines of the West Virginia Central Gas Company, was found slowly burning to death last night by Officers Meister and Reuschlein.

Curtis was lying under a huge pitch kettle with his clothing blazing. His arms and back were badly burned.

When he was taken to the Western Maryland Hospital, where his burns were dressed. He could not explain how he came to lie down under the kettle, but it is supposed that while intoxicated he sought the warm spot and rolled over in the fire.

Miss Nina May Myers Is Married.

Winchester, Va., Dec. 19.—The home of Mrs. Margaret Myers, near Gaylord, was the scene of a pretty wedding last night, when her daughter, Miss Nina May Myers, became the bride of Herman Fleming, a prominent young farmer of Upperville, Rev. J. Harry Smith, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Berryville, officiating. The couple will spend their honeymoon in Washington.

Miss Cora Estelle Claggett a Bride.

Rockville, Md., Dec. 19.—At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alphonso M. Claggett, near Washington Grove, this county, at 11 o'clock this morning, Miss Cora Estelle Claggett became the bride of Roy E. Wichter, son of William H. Wichter, of Unity. The ceremony being performed by Rev. Mr. Penne, of the Redland Church. The only attendant was Miss Edna De Neal, of Washington, D. C.

Curtis Jet Trial Is Opened.

Cynthiana, Ky., Dec. 19.—The jury in the case of Curtis Jet, on trial for the assassination of James Cockrell, was completed to-day and court adjourned until to-morrow, when the taking of evidence will commence.

Arrested on Gambling Charge.

A squad of police late to-night raided a house at 1923 Duke street and arrested five men, who were taken to the police station and slated on a charge of gambling. The police claim the men were seated about a table, playing poker, when arrested. They are Frank McLearen, said to be proprietor of the house; John S. Simmons, Henry Schlichting, Charles Travers, and Samuel J. Elliott. All gave collateral for their appearance before Police Judge Harry B. Catton to-morrow morning.

George B. Charlton Dead.

Special to The Washington Herald. Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 19.—George B. Charlton, a former resident of the city, and also of Baltimore, died yesterday in a hospital in Cincinnati, in which city he had been living for several years. Mr. Charlton was about forty-five years old, and is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Bessie Gruber, of Williamsport, this county, and a son.

IS GOING TO SALT LAKE.

Attorney Will Gather Evidence in Brown-Bradley Case.

George P. Hoover, of the firm of Wells, Hoover & Wells, attorneys for Mrs. Annie M. Bradley, held for the murder of ex-Senator Arthur Brown, will leave immediately after Christmas for Salt Lake, for the purpose of gathering information in the case. He will be away several weeks. Upon his return to Washington the defense will be decided upon.

Mrs. Bradley's case will hardly be taken before the Criminal Court before April or May. The woman herself will probably be anxious for trial as soon as possible. Mr. Hoover held a conference with District Attorney Baker yesterday, but there are no prospects in sight of an early hearing. Mrs. Bradley will probably be indicted by the new grand jury during the first part of January.